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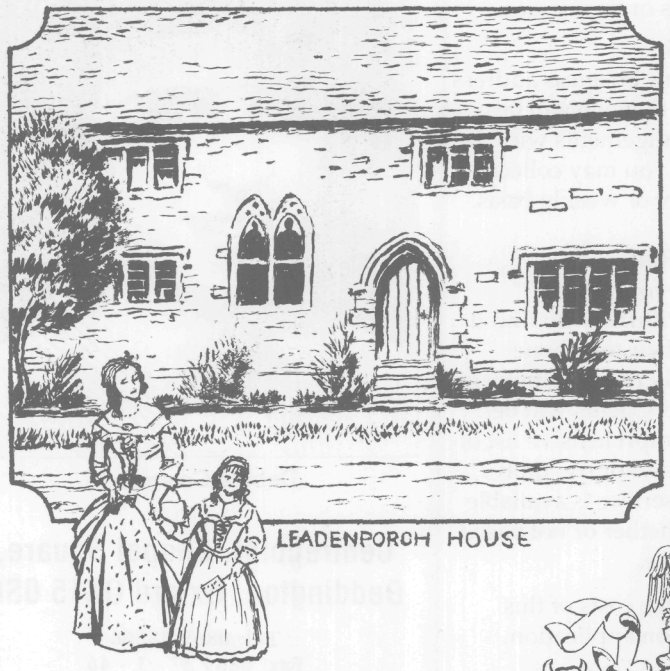

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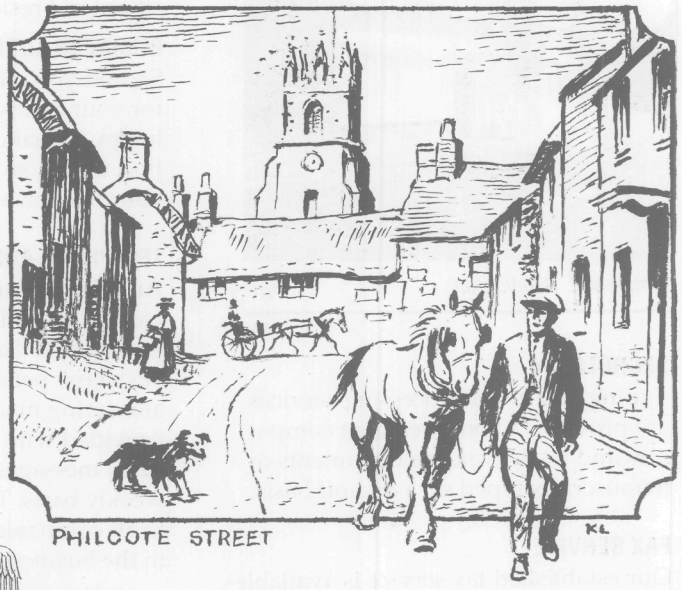

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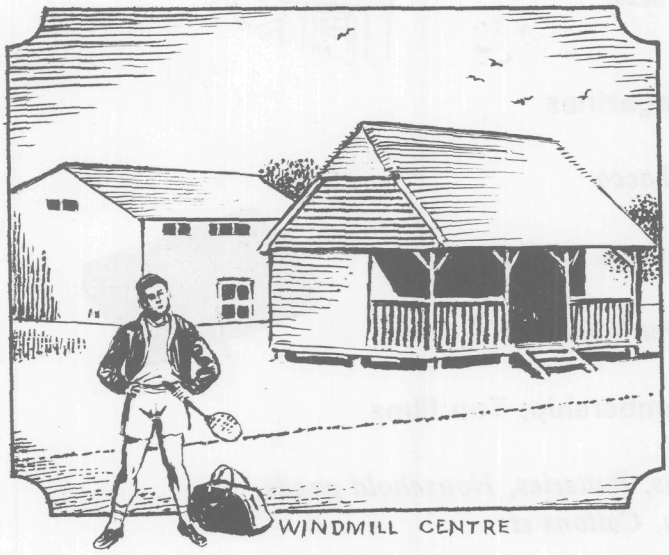

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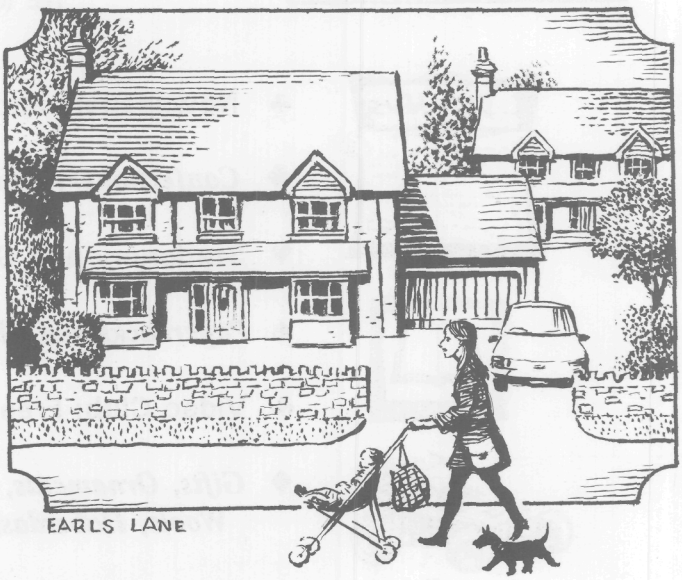

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EDITORIAL

It was cheering to learn from the Parish Appraisal (p.3) that 94% of 66% of you thought the DN should stay! We're noting the rest of your comments, too, though when it comes to more diary events.... it's you we depend on for the information.

With so much going on in May, it's really been like trying to get the proverbial quart into a pint pot - so apologies for anything that had to be squeezed out. Congratulations to the new PC (p.2). We're particularly appreciative of their positive response, so that PC Meetings can be promptly reported while still maintaining our earlier distribution date. Thanks. Now that we have a Council Member from Clifton we're even hopeful someone may be persuaded to send in regular Clifton news. In the meantime, Hempton as usual have some views to express (p.14). Please note the reminder re **new telephone numbers** on p.11 - and the timely warning in Police Corner on p.9.

On the wider canvas, the Euro Elections (see Diary) are imminent; let's hope for a significant turn-out.

Sylvie Spenceley Nickels

JUNE DIARY

Every Friday	Katharine House Drop-in Coffee Morning at The Unicorn.(p.10)
to Sun 5	Oxfordshire Art Week in Deddington Market Place.(p.7)
Wed 1	U3A: Barry Davis on Postcards of Local Villages, 2.30 p.m. at the Windmill Centre.
Th 2	Banbury Art Society. Tim Martin on Wood'n Things, Marlborough Rd, 7.30p.m.
Fri 3	Final Judging, Best Kept Village competition.
Fri 3	Banbury District Carers Drop- In at the Deddington Health Centre , 2-4p.m.
Sat 4	British Legion: Jefferson Kane.
Th 9	EURO ELECTIONS.
Sun 12	Concert by the Adderbury Ensemble in St. Mary's Church, Adderbury, 7.45 p.m.
Tu 14	"Bears and Prayers",family fun event ,Broughton Castle , 11a.m. (p. 8)
Wed 15	U3A:Joan MacCallum: Afternoon of Lloyd Webber's Music, 2.30 p.m. Windmill Centre.
Th 16	Parish Council Meeting, 7.30p.m. in the Town Hall.
Sat 18	Deddington Gardeners' outing to the Oxford Botanical gardens.
Sat 18	Deddington School Fête (p.13)
Tu 21	COPY DATE FOR JULY DEDDINGTON NEWS.
Sat 25	Amnesty Int. fund-raising Wine & Cheese, Bloxham 8p.m. (p.7)
Sun 26	Concert at Bloxham School by the Rogeri Piano Trio, 7.45 p.m.
Wed 29	U3A: Stuart O'Grady on Diamonds. Bring and Buy. 2.30p.m. Windmill Centre
Th 30	Deddington Carers group, Aroma Therapy and Massage, 2-4p.m.(p.9)

JULY DIARY

Fri 1	Banbury District Carers Drop-In at the Deddington Health Centre, 2-4p.m. (p.9)
Sat 2	EVERYMAN in a Mediaeval Market Place, Parish Church 2-5p.m. (p.13)
Th 7	Banbury Arts Society. Sheena Davies on Oriental Painting, Marlborough Rd. 7.30p.m.
Wed 13	Parish Council Meeting, 7.30p.m. in the Town Hall.
Sat 16	British Legion. Tony Casper.
Sun 17	Concert by the Adderbury Ensemble, St. Mary's Church, Adderbury, 7.45p.m.

NO DEDDINGTON NEWS IN AUGUST.

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING 18 MAY 1994 WINDMILL CENTRE

About 55 parishioners attended this opportunity for the PC to report to the Parish, and parishioners to question the PC and meet the newly elected Council. The Chairman summarised the achievements (and a few omissions!) of the past four years:

ENVIRONMENT Provision of: flower beds, hanging baskets, etc.; play areas; water supply to allotments; footpath from Hempton to Deddington; additonal litter bins and seats. The Clifton-Deddington footpath will be renovated as soon as possible. The appointment of **Village Steward** has greatly benefited the appearance of village. **HOLLY TREE CLUB** totally refurbished prior to being transferred to PC. **WINDMILL CENTRE** Major extensions include main hall, new lounge and viewing area, improved kitchen, office for Parish Clerk. New bowling green soon available. **CHURCH** New kitchen and toilets. **FOOTHPATHS** Permission from some landowners still awaited for creation of circular path round Parish.
COAT OF ARMS ceremony generally considered great success. Major undertaking of **VILLAGE APPRAISAL** completed. No **PRECEPT** levied for past two years. **BUS TOKENS** for senior citizens and **GRANTS** for young people for further education.
Still in the pipeline: **TRAFFIC CALMING IN EARLS LANE** - plans awaited; **TOWN HALL** refurbishing; **TINY TOTS PLAY AREA**, the latter to be a priority. Some delays in progress due to time limit on grants that would have been lost if not taken up.

DISCUSSION AND QUESTIONS - Parishioners' points of view
Traffic calming Concern expressed at emphasis on and cost of traffic calming in Earls Lane and its possible effect on increasing traffic through village. In view of school, health centre and speeding traffic Earls Lane residents strongly in favour of action. Suggestion that speed limit sign should be put up in first instance. Traffic calming should apply to village as whole. Parking was creating dangers, eg. in Hempton road opposite Daedings. **Hempton Meeting Place** Confirmation that application for grant to provide toilet facilities for schoolroom behind church, pending completion of necessary gutter and damp course work now in hand, still stands. **Footpaths** Unlike other areas, some in Parish are almost impossible to find, though legal rights of way. PC can make recommendations to County Council for action on any such footpaths brought to their notice. **Toddlers Park** A petition with about 175 signatures was presented backing urgent need for this facility. Existing play areas not intended for and can be hazardous for under-fives. **Deddington Youth Club** Now thriving after three years voluntary hard work but hire cost of Windmill may jeopardise future.

VOTE OF THANKS to the Parish Council was proposed by the Rev. Ken Reeves for all the work done on our behalf, acknowledging impossibility of pleasing everyone! Members of retiring and new PC were introduced to Parishioners.

SYLVIE SPENCELEY

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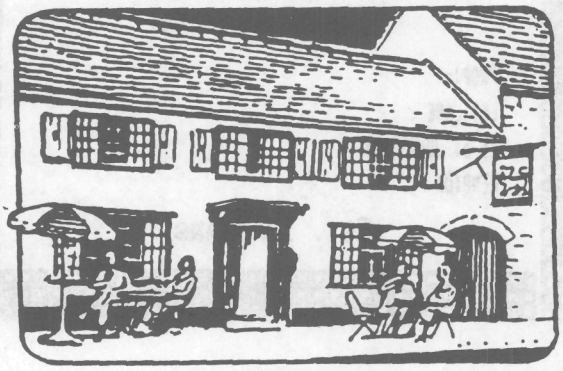

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PARISH APPRAISAL 18 MAY 1994 WINDMILL CENTRE

Chairman of Village Appraisal Committee Jim Flux began by expressing thanks to the late Dr. Bill Mace who, as PC Chairman, instigated the project; to the present committee Geoff Todd, Betty Hill, James Marmion, Maureen Dew, Angela Waller; to the PC and many others who have helped in various ways - and to the the 66% of households (about 1000) in the Parish who responded, not only by filling the questionnaires but providing additional comments amounting to 55 typed pages! Two copies have been made of all findings, graphs, charts and comments: one with the PC, one to be placed in the library for reference.

The presentation lasting nearly an hour provided a fascinating insight into the views, wishes, dislikes - and a few grouses - of the parish as a whole. The following summary covers a selection of facts and a resume of the Committee's Recommendations.

A summary of the Village Appraisal's findings, with photographs, graphs, etc. will be on sale at nominal cost from about mid-June. More details in July issue.

Housing PC to campaign for Parish opinion to be recognised. Employment Encourage development of local small size employment opportunities (it was shown that a high percentage work at home or in village). Education i) Improve Community Education opportunities; ii) Co-ordinate with Village School Governors to ensure school can accommodate growing numbers. Environment Reassess location and availability of re-cycling facilities. Health Develop closer liaision with Health Centre; encourage expansion of range of services and ensure wide publicity in Parish. (Many found to be unaware of range of existing services.) Emergency Services Pass input and comments to relevant authorities (revealed that 140 houses have no smoke detectors; many would like to see village bobby's presence more visible). Services Encourage opening of general Chemist service; ii) install public toilets in Market Square. Leisure i) Encourage/help Windmill improve its 'publicity'; ii) Help/encourage formation of new clubs (swimming and rambling rated highest). Transport/Highways i) Work with Bus Companies to maintain services (significant number depend on buses); ii) Explore ways of rationalising/maximising parking; iii) Explore ways of traffic calming **throughout the Parish** (81% thought there was a problem) iv) Clear/install Clifton-Deddington footpath. Information Review methods of providing timely "communication" particularly on Council Activities; make full use of Deddington News. Religion Church regarded as important for worship and/or heritage; more use could be made for drama, concerts, etc. but without abusing primary role. Local Government i) Explore ways of improving PR on activities and decisions; ii) Lobby CDC on parish concerns re planning etc.; iii) Review programme of activities resulting from use of Parish fund to ensure as wide a range of people as possible benefit. (Concern shown especially regarding needs of very young and the elderly.)

Only 8% came to the village to retire; preference for country life motivated most people. The Community was regarded as the most important aspect of the Parish by 52%. As to how it should develop, 59% (covering all age groups) would like us to maintain the status quo; about 45% want a working community. Obviously to get a proper perspective it's necessary to read the whole report - and gain a fascinating insight on what makes us tick...

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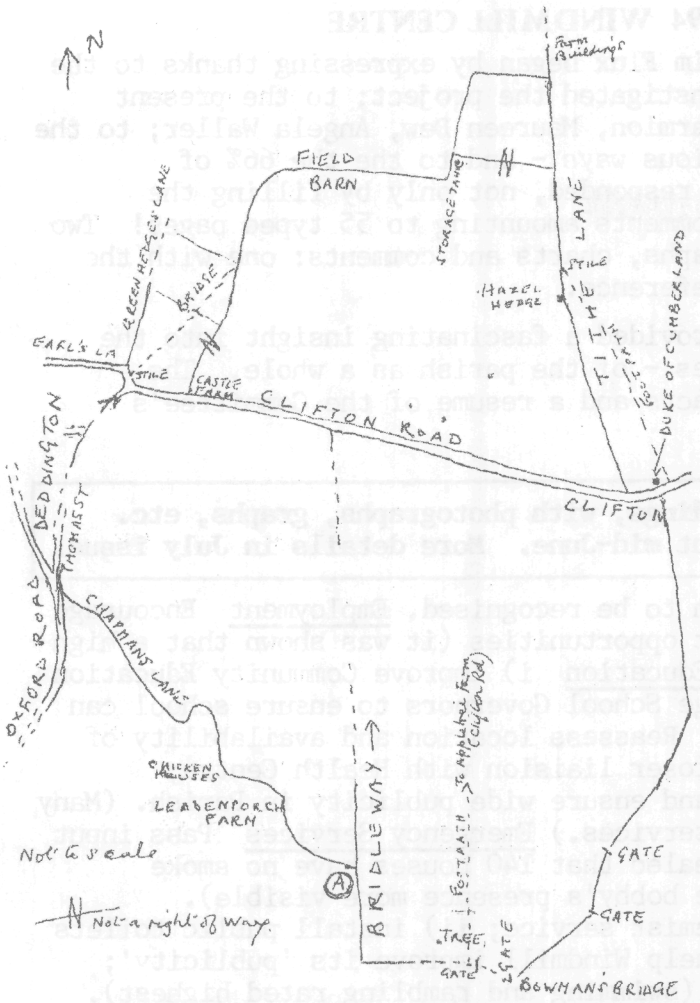

This is a rather more ambitious walk of about 5½ miles, possibly even a little more, but it really does take you around the Parish.

The first part, starting down Chapman's Lane, I described in April. Where I have marked "A" on this map turn right instead of left on the bridleway along a broad grassy stretch between hedges. At the end turn sharp left and keep along the edge of the field. At the corner is a gap and one of the rare blue arrows to direct you straight across a large field past a tree on the left to a wooden gate visible in the distance. Remember to close it after you as there are often sheep in the field, and ensure your dog is under control. You strike across to the right along a narrow track curving round the side of the hill, down to a wooden gate on the left. The approach can be very muddy in wet weather. Nearby on the right a stream winds down to Bowman's Bridge, a small stone structure. The gate leads into a field along which is a fairly rough path beside a tall hedge and the occasional tree. At the end of the field another wooden gate bears a Bridleway sign. The next field had recently been tilled; throughout the winter it was full of sheep. There is now a broad grassy path along the edge which takes you round to a large metal gate. Through this you will find quite a wide, though rutted, pathway beside a field with a barbed wire fence on your right. At the end another gate, invariably open, leads into the long, grassy, in places rather muddy lane up to Clifton. The Thames Water Works are on your left and the anglers on your right just before you enter the village. The distance so far is about 3 miles; allow a good 55 minutes.

You can return on the Clifton Road, but I find it much more interesting to cross over to Tithe Lane and venture out into the country. (There is an alternative footpath further down the road towards Aynho which leads to a stile about ¼ mile up Tithe Lane just past Hazel Hedge. It is not easy to find your way here, though). It is quite a long walk up Tithe Lane. After about ¼ hour a broad gravel up-hill path going off to the left is not a right-of-way. You should go on till you see some derelict farm buildings ahead and then turn into the field on your left and climb steeply keeping close to the hedge on your right. At the top on the corner is a gap with a splendid view: the Stilgoe farm with its dominant blue Silo tower, and both Adderbury and King's Sutton churches can be seen from here. Bear left and follow the pathway to the top of the gravel up-hill path where on the corner looms a large black storage tank. Turn left here and soon right, along a wide track down to the farm buildings at Field Barn. On this section you can be exposed to some penetrating Westerlies. You will then come on to the very clean concrete roadway that comes out on the Clifton Road beside Castle Farm. However, the last section is not a right-of-way and you should bear right through the last two fields, crossing the wooden bridge between them. You arrive at the stile on the corner near Earl's Lane. Allow 55 minutes from Clifton.

I sometimes park my car at the Duke of Cumberland and then do the whole circuit - after which I am ready for "the filthiest ale and the most disgusting food!"

NEXT MONTH: North and South.

DEDDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Notes on meeting, April 27th., Town Hall, 7.30p.m.

Urgent Business: Complaint received from playgroup that Design Gro employees working at the Windmill site had thrown some debris over the playgroup fence. Immediate action is to be taken.

Coat of Arms Day: Letters of thanks are to be written to all who helped on April 16th., including the Fire Service and the Holcombe Hotel.Several visiting dignitaries have already written to say how much they enjoyed the day. At his particular request, a sample of pudd'n'pie is to be sent to the Lord Lieutenant.

Environment and Recreation: 1)50% of the allotments are still available for letting. The Clerk is to negotiate with Lane Fox on the small increase demanded in the land rent. 2) Signed agreements from the farmers involved are required to complete the route of the circular walk before the available grant can be claimed. 3)In response to a request from Clifton, the Council is to pursue the question of extending the 30 mile per hr limit. This will require the provision of at least 1 extra street light.4)The village skip will continue to be placed fortnightly in Cosy Lane in 1994-1995. The dates are to be displayed on the Town Hall notice board. 5)Preliminary judging of the Best Kept Village competition will take place on May 15th. 6) It is proposed to name the new all-weather pitch at The Windmill Centre in memory of the late Cr R Barlow

Traffic Calming, Earl's Lane: Of 19 letters sent to the inhabitants of Earl's Lane, 12 of the 13 answered were in favour of such action. It is proposed that a design service be requested from CDS.

Grants Sub-Committee: The annual report of the Deddington Players was accepted.The Council thanked them for their contribution to the life of the village.

Holly Tree Club: Work on the building is now complete and the premises are available for letting. The Chairman hopes that the 20 or so villagers who expressed interest in helping at the club in the Parish Appraisal will now come forward.

Planning And Property: Applications: 1.The Old Bakery - Request to erect a flagpole above door to fly the Union Flag.Further detail on size of pole required. Concern expressed lest it should be used for commercial advertising. 2. The Beeches - erection of a conservatory. No observations. 3. Holcombe Hotel, High Street - permission to erect window and entrance canopies and enclose front boundaries with iron railings. No observations. **Approvals:** 1.Leadenporch Farm extension of chicken sheds approved by Local Planning Authority who noted that all complaints against the existing facility had only been registered after the application was lodged, and none of those in writing.It is recommended that the new Council should make a point of studying The Structure Plan and The Rural Areas Development Plan so that they may understand how best to look after the Parish's interests. 2.Redevelopment of site off Hudson Street to 12 flats for the Elderly. 3.Demolition of Manor Farm cottage and erection of 1 dwelling. 4.Tucker's Country Store conversion of first floor and attic to residential. 5.Erection of covered yard at Home Farm, Clifton.

Refusal: Boulderdyke Farm, Chapel Street, Clifton - erection of 4-bedroomed house.

Withdrawal: Methodist Church Hall conversion to dwelling.

Windmill Sub-Committee: A report from the acting chairman recommends a new and enlarged structure of management to cope with the increased scale of work with the improved site.The new Parish council is recommended by the retiring Council to consider this with some urgency. Ideally the Windmill Centre should aim to be self-sufficient. It was agreed to pay an annual rent of £1,000 for the Clerk's office at the Centre.

Investment of Parish Funds: £450,000 at 7.1% variable until 27th. April, 1995; £162,000 at 4.687% Fixed until 28th. April, 1994;£20,109.60 at 3.375% on 14 days; £24,267.45 at 1.875% overnight. Total £656,377.05.

Correspondence: Information about the vote on the proposal to transfer District Council Housing to Housing Associations and related information is available for inspection at The Town Clerk's office in the Windmill Centre.

Other Business: The Town Clerk is to approach the present bus companies with a suggestion that all bus routes should turn in the Market Place and proceed in and out by way of Horsefair. All passengers could then use the Town Hall undercroft as shelter. **Telephone Box:** The Post Office informed the Council that they had placed a "phone card'" box at the Town Hall because of vandalism at coin box phones. Phone cards are available at local stores.

JEAN FLUX

DEDDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL continued

NOTES OF ANNUAL MEETING ON 18 May 1994

COAT OF ARMS : One or two items of expenditure not absolutely confirmed. It was agreed to keep discussion on this subject for the next meeting.

PLANNING AND PROPERTY : 1. Castle View - propose to strip roof, remove corrugated iron from summer house, add small conservatory at the back. 2. Woodlands, opposite Castle End: small extension, not near anyone. 3. Manor Farm - in the original plan, stable windows looked onto a barn; now look onto adjoining garden. Neighbouring householder to be contacted. 4. Boulderdyke Farm - PC propose supporting Cherwell District Council and the Clifton residents. Cllr Hill to attend meeting 15 June. PC's comments be sent to the Inspector.

Lights at the Unicorn: A letter had been received complaining that these were too strong. County Engineer to investigate.

Double-sided advertisement board on Banbury Road : refused

Double garage at The Beeches refused.

Housing on Manor Farm site : change from 2/3 bedroom houses to 4/5 bedroom houses, PC had objected to the change but Cherwell DC gave permission. It was agreed to write to Cherwell DC to ask what is happening now that the developers have changed. The Parish Clerk to request return to original plan.

ELECTIONS : CLLR CLINCH RE-ELECTED CHAIRMAN AND CLLR TODD VICE-CHAIRMAN

SUB-COMMITTEES :Windmill : Cllr Flux (Chairman) Cllr Clarke, Cllr Bowen

Recreation & Grants: Cllr Drake, Cllr Lee, Cllr Fisher

Planning & Property : Cllr Hill, Cllr Swash, Cllr Oddy.

Environment : Cllr Stevens, Cllr Colley, Cllr Brewer. It was agreed that each Sub-Committee would meet, elect a chairman and report back to PC. Cllrs Clinch and Todd will be ex officio on each Sub-Committee.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF VILLAGE APPRAISAL : It was agreed that these should be referred to when questions came up for consideration. Cllr Flux said he could provide additional details from his computer if required.

ACCOUNTS : The Clerk had distributed the Accounts payable May 1994 :

J Spencer	Fencing of Playgroup	£ 1,280.75	
J P McDougall & Co	Paint	37.58	
Thames Water Utilities	Water - Sports Field	14.16	
Polysports	Cert 1 All Weather Pitch	7,050.00	
Southern Electric	Electricity - Town Hall	21.36	
John Lucas Video	Coat of Arms Video	161.60	
DesignGro	Maintenance, Sports Field	571.34	
Cherwell Distric C'l	Advert., Market Place closure	104.90	
D H Blakey	Salary, May 1994	190.91	
DPC Imprest Account	Reimbursement	767.25	£10,199.85
Make-up of Imprest Account Reimbursement :			
D.Freeman	Wages 30 April,7 & 14 May	469.20	
Industrial Comm Engr.	Plaque, Coat of Arms	105.75	
Windmill Stores	Postages	7.60	
D Taylor	Photography, Coat of Arms	50.00	
Victim Support	Grant	100.00	
Centrepoint	Photocopying	34.70	£ 767.25

The Clerk volunteered to produce a list of assets (not retrospectively). Decision re precept soon required for 1995/96. All Bus Tokens have been issued.

CORRESPONDENCE : Letters received re: Bicester & Banbury Environment Education Programme; grant for under-16 netball team; dovecote in Grove Court; thanks from Katharine Robins; Oxford Rural Action for the Environment; AGM of Oxon Assoc. of Local Councils; low cost housing; petition re safer playground; Editor of Deddington News requesting that the new PC have their meetings earlier each month. After discussion re last letter, new dates to accommodate the DN were finally agreed for the year to come. The Clerk reported that complaints about work carried out at the back of Windmill Street have been taken up by the District Council. There was discussion re closure of the School swimming pool; a letter is to be sent to parents explaining the reasons for this.

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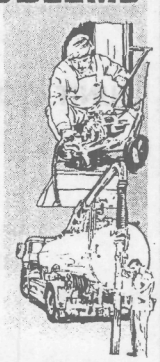

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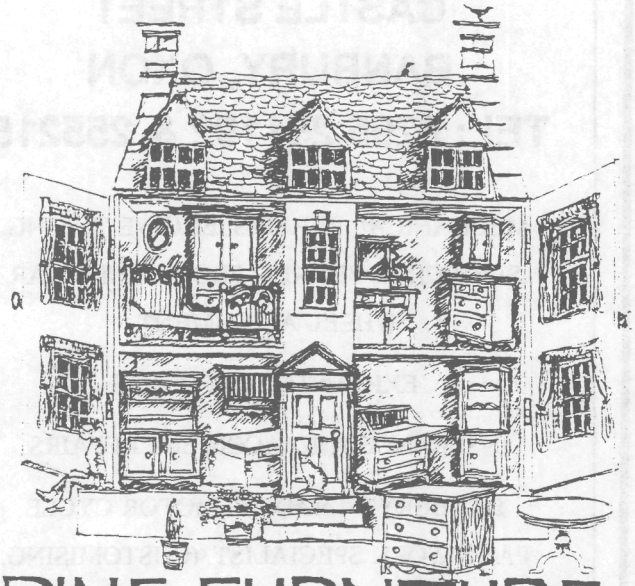

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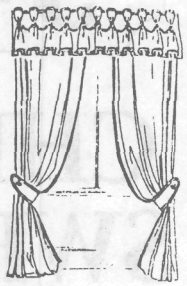

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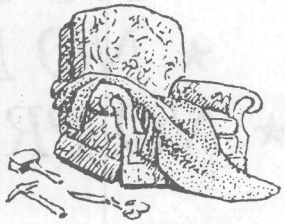

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FIRE CALLS: During the last month we have received 19 calls, 11 of which were in 1 week. They were : 1 factory unit fire at Croughton, 1 chimney fire, 1 small fire in the office block at Bibby's, 1 railway embankment fire, 2 calls to a barn fire at Steeple Aston, 1 call to flooding in a flat at Middle Barton, 1 call to a child with his fingers stuck in the hinges of a door, 1 small fire at a Guest House, 5 false alarms with good intent, 1 electrical defect on an automatic system, 1 malicious false alarm and 2 calls to stand by at Bicester Fire Station. This brings the total so far to 81, which is 12 up on this time last year.

CREWING LEVELS : Of the 19 calls listed above, we responded 6 times with a mininum crew of 4 and twice we were unable to turn out due to insufficient crew.

I am pleased to say that Carol Shirley has passed her re-training and is now responding to calls again. Mark Rogers has been accepted and is now awaiting a starting date, but even when Mark has passed his induction training we will still only have 4 personnel available in the daytime.

WE STILL NEED MORE PERSONNEL!

PUBLIC RELATIONS : We have already attended 2 Fetes and have several more bookings. We realise that children enjoy seeing the fire engine, but we also enjoy showing adults around the appliance and explaining all about the equipment, so please do come and see us.

ALBERT HUMPHRIES (38943)

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For opening times see Posters
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HORTON SCANNER APPEAL - Sponsored Bike Ride. Banbury all terrain club are arranging a sponsored off road Mountain Bike Ride on 31st July from Banbury Cycles, Bridge Street, Banbury, in aid of the Horton Scanner Appeal. If you want to support - or take part- contact Debbie Rose on 38584.

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AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL work for the kind of human rights most of us take for granted. A fund-raising, (hopefully) open-air wine and cheese event at Cherry Barn, Ell's Lane, (opposite Warriner School), Bloxham will entertain as well as inform. Tickets £3 - info from Jacky Ekers (0295-720381) or Pam Janes (0295-720571)

CONGRATULATIONS! -to Nick Tothill who was awarded a PC grant for Books 2 years ago and has now gained a studentship (ie money!) to study for an MSc in Astronomy at Jodrell Bank, Manchester. (We'd like to hear of other Deddington achievers - Ed.)

LIFT? - Can anyone offer one to a young person with a holiday job in Oxford 27th June-19th August, 9am-5pm approx.? If so please contact Ben Elvidge - 38214.

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June Services (Parish Church).

Wed 1 10am Holy Communion. 11.30am Holy Communion at Featherton House.

Thu 2 11.15am Holy Communion at St. Anne's Home, Clifton

Sun 5 10.30am Family Communion.

Weds 8, 15, 22 & 29 10am Holy Communion.

Sun 12 10.30am Sung Eucharist.

Sun 19 8am Holy Communion (BCP) 10.30am Sung Matins (BCP)

Fri 24 Midday prayers and meditation.

Sun 26 PATRONAL FESTIVAL. 10.30am Sung Eucharist. (See below).

June Services (St. John).

Sun 5 9am Eucharist Sun 19 9am Eucharist.

Sun 26 6pm Evensong (BCP). Sun July 3 9am Eucharist.

Prayers and Bears Day - Tues 14 June. Family fun day for parents and carers with children under school age, sponsored by North Oxfordshire Churches. It will take place at Broughton Castle 11am-2pm. Many attractions including train rides, bouncy castle, face-painting, games and story-telling. Entrance FREE! Bring a packed lunch. ALL WELCOME. (Further information ring 0869 38539).

Memorial Service for the late Irene Reynolds.

Irene will be specially remembered in the 10.30am Sung Eucharist on June 12. Tributes to Irene will be paid during the service. All who knew Irene and appreciate all she did are welcome to attend.

Youth Fellowship - will meet at the Parish Church on Sun. June 12 at 7.30pm.

Students and Curate. On Mon June 6 the Deddington and Barford Church Councils will be saying farewell to our two placement students from Rippon College, Alan Bashforth and Paddy McKee, at a Social in the Vicarage.

On Sun July 3 Dr Edmund Newell will be ordained Deacon in Christ Church Cathedral, Oxford. We pray for him and his wife, Susan, and look forward to their arrival in the parishes after his ordination.

Mothers Union. Wed June 8 at 7.30pm. Deanery Festival Service in **Shenington** Parish Church.

FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS:

Baptism: May 1, in Deddington, VICTORIA ANNE BULLARD.

Blessing of Marriage: April 23, in Deddington, STANLEY and GILLIAN WHITE.

KEN REEVES (vicar) 38329

INTER-CHURCH ACTIVITIES.

Mon June 6:- Ecumenical Prayer Group - will meet at 7.45pm on in the Wesleyan Reform Church. This group prays particularly for local problems and issues.

Fri June 24:- Midday prayers and meditation - 12 noon in St Thomas Chapel of the Parish Church. This group concentrates on people's worries, especially illness.

Sun June 26:- Patronal Festival of our parish church's dedication to SS Peter and Paul. Special Sung Eucharist to celebrate this. Sun July 10. Induction of Alan Caterall. This will take place at the Congregational Church at 4pm. (see below).

Thought for the month. "The goal of Christianity is not detachment from material wealth but the loving use of it." (William Sloane Coffin).

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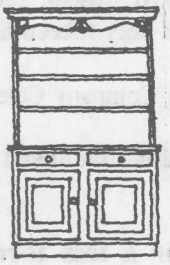

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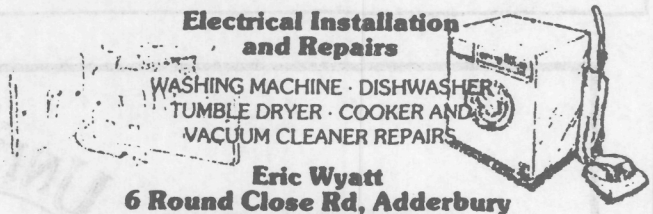

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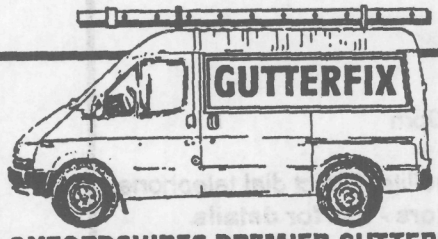

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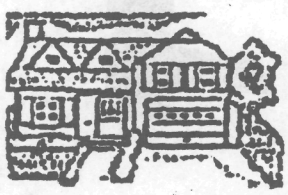

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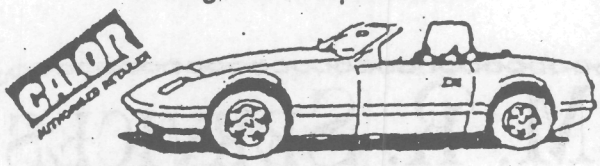

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19 June Mr Oliffe, 26 June Rev David Abel.

Following the retirement of Mrs Pauline Ridd due to ill health, the church has appointed Mr Alan Caterall as Pastor to oversee church activities. He will take up this appointment on 1 July and his Induction Service is planned for 10 July at 4pm. A warm welcome is given to anyone who would like to join us on this occasion, and the other services listed above.

The Church is very grateful for the tremendous help and support given by Pauline since she arrived in Deddington 5 - 6 years ago and she continues to give as she is able. (*and to us all EMT*)

DON DAVIDSON 47072

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FRANK STEINER 38264

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POLICE CORNER

BOGUS CALLERS/CONMEN

After an absence of several months I would like to return to the subject of bogus callers. The secret is to be suspicious of any stranger who approaches you with hard luck tales or who, for example, offers to clean your drains, mend your roof or wants to buy your antiques. He may claim to be from an official body such as the Gas Board, or from the local authority. Elderly people are particularly vulnerable to these callers.

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Extracts from the diaries of the Rev. Cotton Risley for the month of June 1844:

10th JUNE - I was in London and visited the Bell Foundry at Whitechapel and paid them £ 50 on account of Bodicote bells. I saw and heard 3 or 4 fine toned bells prepared for York Minster and the New Exchange.
14th JUNE - Drove to see poor dear Mrs. Cotton again at her special request - she was comfortable and composed, and though very weak indeed on the whole better. Mr. Griffin commenced giving her quinine as a tonic today. She was much pleased to see me as I was also to see her, and talked of Mr. Cotton, Susan and our dear children. Susan had a headache again.
15th JUNE - Haymaking, we carried The Slade, 3 loads of hay only. Clarke the Schoolmaster came down on business.
18th JUNE - The 30th Anniversary of the ever memorable Battle of Waterloo. The Oxford Grand Commemoration commenced today with the Infirmary Sermon at St. Mary's preached by the Bishop of Chichester, Dr. Gilbert. We were prevented from being there by the illness of poor Mrs. Cotton, which began five weeks ago today.
21st JUNE - John Busby of Deddington came on business. I granted him a summons in an assault case.
22nd JUNE - Busied amongst the Haymakers all day, we carried the little meadow in capital order and finished Plank Meadow.
24th JUNE - I received Willy's character from Marlborough School - a good one I rejoice to say.

....AND HERE IS A RESPONSE TO OUR APPEAL FOR MEMORIES OF EXACTLY 50 YEARS AGO:

As a "D Day Dodger" I have a clear memory of where I was on that day in June 1944 and how I came to hear about the event. I was an unwilling guest of the Third Reich, having been put in the bag in the Dodecanese Islands in November 1943. On this day I was one of approximately 2500 prisoners in Oflag 79 at Braunschweig in Germany. At about 11 a.m. when I was on my weekly stint of duty as an assistant librarian in our camp library, a friend sidled up and whispered the news that there had been an Allied landing in Normandy early that morning. Our internal secret radio had picked up the news from a BBC broadcast earlier.

For security reasons we normally had only one news reading per day controlled by a very strict procedure, but because this piece of news was so important to us, it was released with less security attention, but without much detail. The routine evening "Canary" would and did give us the glad news in much more detail.
We had a German news bulletin daily, which was used to camouflage our own BBC information, but it contained only that which our gaolers wished us to hear. They did not release the D Day landing news until about 4 days later. Morale, by midday, shot up throughout the whole camp but was due to fall again to a very low ebb as the inevitable prisoners or "Kriegies" as we termed ourselves, began to come in to swell our numbers. Little did we know, but we had to endure another 11 months before liberation.

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FROM THE EDITOR'S POSTBAG

FROM PETER DAVIS, HIGH STREET, BODICOTE

I should like to thank the electors who voted for me on 5th May. While representing Deddington on the District Council I made many friends and I enjoyed the privilege of working with the Parish Council.

I am very sad that I can no longer serve as your representative, ...but hope to be back.

FROM HAZEL HALL, CHAPEL SQUARE, DEDDINGTON

I should like to express my grateful thanks to so many friends for all the good wishes, help and kindness, I received during my stay in hospital, and at home. Deddington is such a good place in which to live, with its friendly community spirit - may it always remain so.

FROM JOSIE STEVENS, HEMPTON ROAD, DEDDINGTON

I wish to thank all those who supported my election to Deddington Parish Council, and trust that I shall prove worthy of their confidence.

FROM JOHN NEILD, HEMPTON ROAD, DEDDINGTON

In connection with the 'bus timetables, I should like to thank Roy Berridge for his great work in transcribing my notes into the neat text issued with the Deddington News. Would readers note a correction: the Wednesday Miscellaneous Service by Jeffs' Coaches now goes via Woodstock and Bladon, and not via Kidlington. Times from Bloxham to Deddington are as printed, arriving Woodstock 10.10, Bladon 10.20, Oxford (Taylorian) 10.35. Return times: Oxford (Taylorian) 13.00 (as before) , Bladon 13.15, Woodstock 13.25, Deddington and other stops as previously.

I wonder if readers would use a service to transport commuters to Banbury in time for offices and shops to open at 9.00 a.m. (if one became available)

FROM CLIFF SMITH, THE DAEDINGS, DEDDINGTON

At a special meeting of the Parish Council at the Town Hall on 30th March, the Councillors present voted unanimously to endorse proposals for the reorganisation of Local Government under which the County Council would be abolished and its powers transferred to four new 'all purpose' authorities based on the existing District Councils. It is not clear how many Parish Councillors attended, nor whether a Parish submission to this effect is to be made to the Local Government Commission. I hope that when the Parish Council as a whole considers the matter, any proposal for change will be critically examined. While no one would claim that the present system is perfect, it has worked tolerably well now for twenty years and at a time of acute fiscal deficit the huge expenditure of this reorganisation is a luxury we cannot afford.

We are told by both the County and District Councils that their respective proposals for change will save money but the same was said of previous reorganisations, yet the bills have continued to rise. Taking the District Councils' proposal for four all-purpose authorities, can we really accept that the savings will offset the costs involved, (eg. four times the number of chief officers, extra offices, etc.)? Is the government (which set the ball rolling on the present review on spurious grounds) likely to allow strategic planning and major services such as education and social services, to be operated over areas/populations as low as the four proposed Oxfordshire authorities? Would the Department of Transport entrust maintenance of the County's trunk roads and motorways, (at present a County Council responsibility) to four separate authorities ?

I hope very much that whatever proposals the Commission comes up with, the Parish Council and your readers, (who will shortly have the opportunity to comment directly), will consider the do-nothing option and not be seduced by either the District Council proposal, or indeed by the County alternative.

YOUR NEW TELEPHONE NUMBERS - Latest news from BT is that these (i.e. putting an additional '3' in front of all Deddington numbers) will apply from 31st August. We recommend double-checking this! Plus: it seems some subscribers have not received the **new 1994 Banbury Telephone Directory.** If, like your Editor, you are one of them, ring 150 at no cost requesting one.

CALLING ALL CLUBS

DEDDINGTON PLAYERS

The cast for our production of Everyman has at last been assembled, and rehearsals in the church begin on 1 June. Although the play itself is short, this is a big venture for we are placing it in the middle of a mediaeval market place. Please come and support us from 2pm, Saturday, 2 July and enjoy the fun and colour of an afternoon in the past. There will be lots of street entertainment; juggling, country dancing, gipsy dancing, itinerant musicians, pedlars, storytellers, scribes, an early hand printing press, market stalls, refreshments. Our Primary School children will be among the entertainers. In other words, there will be something to amuse every member of the family. All proceeds will be donated to our Village Church. Help us make this a real community afternoon by your presence.
The winner of the Deddington Players balloon race at the Fair in April is Elizabeth Tothill. Her balloon was returned from Black Rock near Camborne, Cornwall. Others reached Devon, Wiltshire and Gloucestershire. Given the prevailing wind, some could still be floating around the Bay of Biscay, but the month is now up and Elizabeth gets the prize.

JEAN FLUX 38153

DEDDINGTON TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB

Saturday Team

Hook Norton Res(a)	Lost 0-4		Brailes(h)	Drew 1-2 A.Fairns
K.Sutton Res (a)	Won 4-1	A.Fairns, P.Gibbs, M.Downing, P.Waller		
Alex Lawrie(a)	Lost 0-3		Hook Norton(a)	Lost 1-7 D.Cowley

Sadly, the side finished the season in disappointing style with 2 defeats, which may result in relegation to the 3rd Division. Previous to this hopes were high with a draw against Brailes and a fine win against Kings Sutton. Veteran Arthur Fairns scored in both matches. Marcus Downing was lead scorer with 6 goals.

Sunday First Team

Northern Rangers(a)	Won 2-0	C.Hill, D.Churchill
Red Lion Wardington(a)	Won 3-2	A.Shepherd, I.Skuce, Own Goal
Rylands (a)	Lost 3-5	M.Springall(2), C.Hill,
Bodicote (h)	Won 5-0	M.Springall(2), C.Hill, A.Shepherd
Mill (a)	Won 4-0	M.Springall(2), D.Churchill, K.Mitchell

The side capped a marvellous season by winning the 4th Division of the Banbury and District Sunday Morning League. Four excellent victories have enabled them to clinch the title; once again Matthew Springall has been amongst the goals, taking his personal tally to 39. Manager Dave Risato has also won a prestigious award in winning "The Manager Of The Year" trophy for the Sunday League.

Sunday Reserve Team

Aynho Athletics(a)	Won 2-1	I.Skuce, K.Mitchell
Helmdon Sports (h)	Won 11-0	M.Dogett(4),K.Mitchell(2),G.Pinfold,M.Smith.A.Boswell,E.Harrison,D.Cowley

This side has had an excellent season, gaining promotion from Div.6 to becoming runners up. They finished in style by beating the divisional winners Aynho for the second time this season and thrashing Helmdon Sports Res 11-0. Leading scorer was Kelvin Mitchell with 24.

STEVE PLUMBE 38512

UNIVERSITY OF THE THIRD AGE

A Trip Round the World slideshow, presented by Mrs.John Plant, provided members with reminders of their own travels as well as the opportunity of visiting new places. An insight into the life of a child in Nazi Germany was given by Mrs.R.Howard at the last meeting in May. On 22 May another Sunday Luncheon Trip was held and plans are in hand for a visit to Filkins Woollen Mill, nr.Lechlade. There will be three meetings in June; details will be found in the DN Diary.
For more information please contact Mrs.Dorothy Clarke (37101) or me.

PAT BRITTAIN 38685

CALLING ALL CLUBS continued

DEDDINGTON WI

We met in May to discuss the resolutions for this year's triennial meeting. VCO Mrs.Usherwood ably guided us through the important points and we thank her for coming. The subjects dealt among others with the laws regarding pornography and those governing Donor Organs.We voted to instruct our delegate how to act for us in each case. The discussion was followed by a quite tricky Quiz on proverbs. This was devised by Thelma Dover, many thanks, Thelma for organising it.
We meet again on 14 June, 7.30 at the Holly Tree Club, when we shall hear about Badgers. For more information ring Rene Mahony on 38438.

MARIANNE ELSLEY 38251

DEDDINGTON GARDENERS

"Cherwell in Bloom" is holding several competitions which are open to groups or individuals living in the district. In June entry forms will be printed by the Banbury Guardian and Cake. Please return completed forms by the end of June. (The Parish Clerk should have a supply, too.) Categories include "Best Front Garden" and "Tallest Sunflower" as well as the "Best Kept Street". Entry is free, so why not enter?

ELIZABETH TOTHILL 38186

DEDDINGTON BOYS FOOTBALL

I am pleased to report that the newly formed "Boys" have made a flying start, having now played four friendly matches and winning three of them. Next season holds great promise when they will compete in the Banbury Boys League. My thanks to the Parish Council for support in this venture.

DAVE KEATS (PC) 38444

The **School Fete** is on Saturday, 18th June, 2-5 pm. Please come along and enjoy many attractions including Knights of Warwick, Oxford City Band, Pony Rides, Gyroscope, Face Painting, plus many more games and stalls.

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NEWS FROM HEMPTON

Those who were unable to attend the Parish Meeting on 11 May missed a very interesting occasion and a welcome chance to meet not only our Parish Councillors but also our new District Councillor and our County Councillor.
A tremendous amount of work had gone into the Village Appraisal and we should thank all those who so painstakingly collated and analysed our answers to the questionnaires. It was rather a lot to take in at one go but a full account is to be placed in the Library in due course; I, for one, look forward to studying it. Councillors can now refer to a wide spectrum of ideas and opinions from all sections of the Parish instead of having to depend on the more vociferous.

Traffic calming seems to be regarded by most people as a necessity, though the methods which should be employed are the subject of argument. In Hempton we hope that traffic-calming in Hempton Road will eventually reach as far as our "pinch-point". I think we all, pedestrians and motorists alike, have experienced narrow squeaks at this place. I have lost count of the number of times I have teetered on the narrow curb while traffic whizzed by. We now have the annual flow of holiday caravans, inclined to sway a little even at 30 m.p.h. If two pass through in opposite directions there is very little clearance. What would become of a Mum pushing a pram, or a toddler on a tricycle, a tottery pensioner or a dog on a lead?

NAN HARRIS (38039)

You may have noticed the improvements at St. John The Evangelist Church. Many thanks to Tony Waller and all the people who have helped in whatever way, our floral decorations always look beautiful. Having said this, we do need more people from Hempton in the congregation, you will be most welcome. Services are held on the first and third Sundays of the month at 9.00 a.m. and the fourth Sunday at 6.00 p.m.
We shall be holding the Copper Trail and Bazaar on Bank Holiday Monday 30 May; Copper Trail from 11.00 a.m., Bazaar from 2.00 p.m., usual stalls. Any gifts for sale at the Bazaar would be welcome and may be left with Pam Dodd. Anyone who wishes to help on the Copper Trail or Bazaar will be welcome. Let us hope for a fine day, so come along and enjoy yourselves.

LES CHAPPEL, Chairman, Friends of Hempton Church

AND FINALLY A POSTSCRIPT TO APRIL 16TH.....

Preo on anan gebundene

"Yes, but what's it all for?" someone asked upstairs in the Town Hall, early, about nine o'clock. A good question, to which there are as many answers as there are citizens. A whim of a few, a harmless piece of theatrical pomp and circumstance, an excuse for a party, or an icon round which a corporate parish can rally. Me? I'll go for the latter.
The Church is good at ritual, it's been part of their stock-in-trade for centuries. And if you need a pomp and circumstance stage, our Church is as good as any. I thought the ceremony was dignified and effective. Someone, glancing round the pews, commented on the seeming lack of the young. Perhaps they've gone off symbols and show pieces. I thought the Chairman of our Parish Council, acting for us all, had a good day. If only his leg breaks were as consistent!
Outside, it was cold, dank and blustery. I liked the band and the hustle on our stall. A tuba propped up against a wall in the Unicorn said it all for me. Our family drank, talked, laughed and went to bed happy. We've enacted a bit of social history. Next time in the Market Square, look up at the show piece and puff your chest out. We're from Clifton, Deddington and Hempton, us lot.

BILL DRAKE

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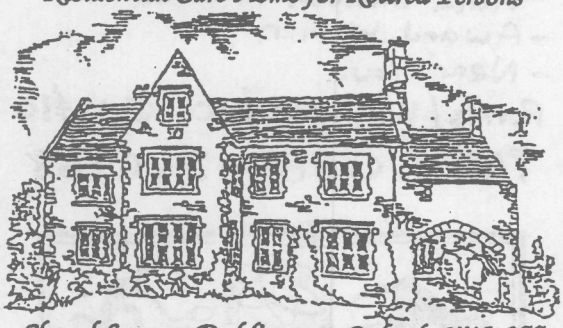

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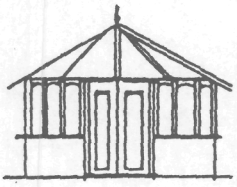

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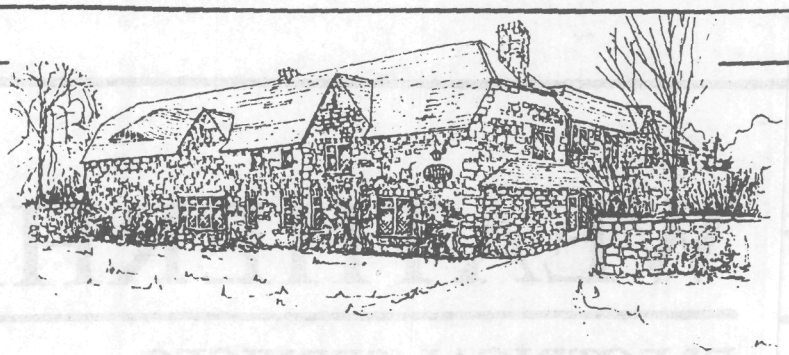

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